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SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING -JANUARY 16-26

PASS TO SCIATT ADDISON RICHMOND

1. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO ARRANGE HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS FOR THE US-EGYPT BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH SUBCOMMITTEE AND ACCOMPANYING SCIENTISTS. THE EMBASSY MAY PLAN ON ALL TRAVELERS ARRIVING BY SUNDAY EVENING, JANUARY 15, 1978 FOR CONVENING OF THE MEETING ON MONDAY, JANUARY 16, WITH ALLOWANCE FOR TEN WORKING DAYS AND DEPARTURE ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 27. THE DEPARTURE DATE WILL BE DEPENDENT PRIMARILY ON THE AGENDA WHICH DR. AHMED BADRAN, CO-CHAIRMAN, DEVELOPS.

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2. IT IS ANTICIPATED THERE WILL BE ONE OR TWO DAYS OF GENERAL ORIENTATION FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS, AFTER WHICH SEPARATE APPOINTMENTS, AGENDA, AND ITINERARIES WILL BE DEVELOPED FOR SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS AND U.S. PARTICPANTS SO THEY MAY FOLLOW THEIR INDIVIDUAL SPECIFIC RESEARCH INTERESTS. DISCUSSIONS OF THE SCIENTISTS ACCOMPANY THE SUBCOMMITTEE WILL FOCUS PRIMARILY ON DEVELOPMENT OF RESEARCH

STUDIES OF TOPICS DISCUSSED IN THE SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT OF

FY 1977. AS THESE INDIVIDUAL AND DETAILED DISCUSSIONS OF SPECIFIC TOPICS ARE COMPLETED, IT IS EXPECTED THE INDIVIDUAL EXPERTS WILL REPORT BACK TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE AND SUMMARIZE THEIR PLANS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF RESEARCH ACTIVITIES AND PROPOSALS IN THE FIELDS OF THEIR EXPERTISE. WITH SUCH A MEETING FORMAT, IT IS ASSUMED SOME OF THE INDIVIDUAL EXPERTS WILL PLAN TO LEAVE IN ADVANCE OF THE COMPLETION OF THE WORK OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE IN ORDER TO MEET OTHER COMMITMENTS.

3. PERSONS PLANNING TO ATTEND AND THE GENERAL FIELDS OF INTEREST ARE IDENTIFIED AS FOLLOWS: DR. GEORGE BAER, CHIEF VIRAL ZOOSES RESEARCH BRANCH, BIOLOGY DIVISION, BUREAU OF LABORATORIES, CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL (CDC) - RABIES INCLUDING EPIDEMIOLOGY AND INTERFERON-ENHANCED VACCINES; DR. JOSEPH A. COOK, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO DEPUTY DIRECTOR, NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ALLERGY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES, (REPRESENTING DR. RICHARD KRAUSE) - TROPICAL MEDICINE, INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND IMMUNOLOGY; DR. ROGER FELDMAN, CHIEF OF ENTERIC DISEASES, BUREAU OF EPIDEMIOLOGY, CDC, - DIARRHEAL AND ENTERIC DISEASES; DR. MICHAEL LANE, DIRECTOR OF NUTRITION ACTIVITIES IN OFFICE OF DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF SMALLPOX ERADICATION, CDC, - PEDIATRIC NUTRITIONAL ASSESSMENT AND IMMUNIZATION; DR. CHARLES UNCLASSIFIED

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RICHARDS, LABORATORY OF PARASITIC DISEASES, NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ALLERGY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES - SNAIL RESISTANCE TO SCHISTOSOME MIRACIDIA INFECTION; DR. LESTER B. SALANS, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR DIABETES, ENDOCRINE AND METABOLIC DISEASES AND DR. MAUREEN HARRIS, PROGRAM DIRECTOR FOR NATIONAL DIABETES DATA GROUP, BOTH OF NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ARTHRITIS, METABOLISM, AND DIGESTIVE DISEASES - DIABETES, INCLUDING EPIDEMIOLOGY (DR. SALANS WILL DEPART FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, FOR OTHER APPOINTMENTS); DR. JAMES B. SIDBURY, JR., SCIENTIFIC DIRECTOR INTRAMURAL RESEARCH PROGRAMS, NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF CHILD HEALTH - MOTHER AND CHILD HEALTH PROBLEMS INCLUDING NUTRITION, GENETICS, AND REPRODUCTIVE PHYSIOLOGY, AND DR. RICHARD WYATT, LABORATORY OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES, NIAID, - VIRAL DIARRHEAS. THE MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PLANNING TO ATTEND ARE DR. LEON JACOBS, DR. CRAIG WALLACE, DR. ROBERT KAISER, MR. JOHN ALDEN, AND DR. MORRIS JONES. DR. JONES WILL VISIT ACTIVE NIH PROJECTS FOLLOWING THE SUBCOMMITTEE ADJOURNMENT AND WILL DEPART SATURDAY, JANUARY 28. HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY HIS WIFE AND WILL NEED A DOUBLE ROOM.

4. THE SUBCOMMITTEE REQUESTS THAT, IF POSSIBLE WITHIN THE

LIMITATIONS ON ACCOMODATIONS, A BLOCK OF ROOMS BE RESERVED AT THE HILTON. TO AVOID EMBARRASSMENT EXPERIENCED PREVIOUSLY, THE EMBASSY IS FURTHER REQUESTED TO ASSURE THAT NO

ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR A DAY ROOMS ARE ASSIGNED TO VISITORS.

5. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO POINT OUT TO DR. BADRAN THAT OF THIS AFOREMENTIONED GROUP, DR. JACOBS, DR. COOK, DR. LANE, MR. ALDEN, AND DR. JONES ARE THE ONLY PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN TO EGYPT. FOR THIS REASON IT WILL BE ADVISABLE TO PROVIDE SOME GENERAL ORIENTATION WHICH WILL GIVE AN INSIGHT INTO RESOURCES, INCLUDING ACADEMIC ENVIRONMENT, SCIENTIFIC PERSONNEL, INSTITUTIONAL BASIC SCIENCE, CLINICAL AND FIELD FACILITIES IN CAIRO AND TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE,
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ELSEWHERE, WHICH CAN BE BROUGHT TO BEAR UPON THE HEALTH AND RESEARCH TOPICS IDENTIFIED IN PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

6. AFTER SCIATT HAS REVIEWED A DRAFT OF THE AGENDA WITH DR. BADRAN, THE US CO-CHAIRMAN SHALL APPRECIATE BEING INFORMED PROMPTLY OF THE ESTIMATED ADJOURNMENT DATE SO THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS CAN SCHEDULE RETURN FLIGHTS.

7. FISCAL INFORMATION, ETA, AND FLIGHTS OF INDIVIDUAL PARTICIPANTS WILL BE SENT SUBSEQUENTLY.

8. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO PASS COPY OF THIS CABLE TO CO NAMRU 3. VANCE

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